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SUBJECT: MULTI-REGIONAL PROJECT ON INTERNATIONAL ECONOMICS AND FINANCE

REF: STATE 001578, 034817

- 1. LATIF, ABDUL
- 2. PLACE AND DATE OF BIRTH: KABUL, [Sensitive Information Removed Per NARA 05 DEC 2014]
- 3. PRESENT POSITION: DIRECTOR, COLOMBO PLAN BUREAU, DEPARTMENT FOR ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, MINISTRY OF PLANNING.
- 4. PAST POSITIONS, ACCOMPLISHMENTS: MEMBER OF DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING, MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, MEMBER DEPARTMENT OF ARCHIVES AND RESEARCH, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, MEMBER, UNITED NATIONS BUREAU, MINISTRY OF PLANNING. IN LATTER POSITION, WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN DEVELOPING NUMEROUS PROJECTS FINANCED BY UNDP ASSISTANCE TO AFGHANISTAN. TOOK PART IN PREPARATION, (AND TRANSLATION INTO ENGLISH), OF COUNTRY'S FIRST SEVEN-YEAR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN. WHILE STUDYING IN STATES, WAS INTERN AT UN SECRETARIAT THREE MONTHS IN SUMMER 1967, WHERE PREPARED A BACKGROUND PAPER ON "CONTROL OF TRADE IN ARMAMENTS" SUMMER 1973, WHILE INTERN FRENCH EMBASSY-TOKYO, PREPARED LONG MEMOIRE ON JAPANESE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE (IN FRENCH) UNCLASSIFIED

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COVERING PERFORMANCE OF JAPAN SINCE WORLD WAR II TO END OF 1973.

5. HIGHER EDUCATION:

B.A. LAW AND POLITICAL SCIENCE, KABUL UNIVERSITY, 1962
M.A. POLITICAL SCIENCE, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, "INTERNATIONAL POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS."

PH.D. POLITICAL SCIENCE, NORTH CAROLINA, DISSERTATION ON "RIGHT AND DUTIES OF STATE IN INTERNATIONAL LAW."
DIPLOME FROM THE INSTITUTE INTERNATIONAL D'ADMINISTRATION PUBLIQUE, IN PARIS, 1971-1973.

LATIF DID NOT GRADUATE IN ECONOMICS BUT HAS STUDIED SUBJECT ON BOTH UNDERGRADE AND GRADUATE LEVELS. IN PRESENT POSITION DEALS ON DAY TO DAY BASIS WITH ECONOMIC MATTERS AND IS FAMILIAR WITH USSUES OF TRADE, EURODOLLAR, LIQUIDITY, MONETARY CRISES, TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY, POPULATION, FOOD, GATT AND TARIFF BARRIERS, THE ROLE OF UNCTAD, ETC.

6. TRAVEL TO U.S.: STUDY - 1965-1970 - 5 YEARS, ONE YEAR SPONSORED BY FULBRIGHT, REST BY GRADUATE, RESEARCH, AND TEACHING ASSISTANT-SHIPS FROM THE UNIVERSITY NORTH CAROLINA.

7. TRAVEL - OTHER COUNTRIES: FRANCE AND TOKYO - 1971-73 STUDY PROGRAM, FRENCH GOVT. SPONSORSHIP. ALSO U.K., CANADA, GERMANY, ITALY, AUSTRIA, THE NETHERLAND, BELGIUM, DENMARK, SWEDEN, NORWAY, SPAIN, TURKEY, IRAN, INDIA, THAILAND, SAUDI ARABIA, AND SWITZERLAND.

8. PREVIOUS USG GRANT: FULBRIGHT GRANT, JULY 1965-JUNE 1966 NSF RESEARCH GRANT, 1969.

9. KNOWLEDGE OF ENGLISH EXCELLENT

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10. ESCORT REQUIRED: NONE

11. DIETARY RESTRICTION: NONE

12. SPECIAL INTERESTS: LATIF WISHES STUDY "HOW PRIVATE SECTOR ECONOMIC FORCES GET TRANSLATED INTO OFFICIAL U.S. FOREIGN POLICY, THROUGH MECHANISMS OF COMMERCE AND STATE DEPARTMENTS." WISHES LEARN AS MUCH ABOUT U.S. FOREIGN ASSISTANCE OF AS POSSIBLE, INCLUDING PRESENT CONGRESSIONAL VIEWS. WOULD LIKE TO VISIT OFFICIALS CONCERNED WITH UPCOMING WASHINGTON COLOMBO PLAN MEETING. ALSO EXPRESSED DESIRE VISIT THINK TANKS, SPECIFICALLY RAND, BROOKINGS, AND HUDSON INSTITUTES.

13. DURATION OF GRANT: 30 DAYS. ELIOT

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